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## President and an Extra Session.

A report that a few senate Republicans will oppose an extra session, and that if the President calls one he can shoulder the responsibility, looks like a partisan rumor from the other side. It is not likely that President McKinley will call an extra session unless there is necessity for one. Should such a necessity arise no senator can object or would object. We do not believe there is a Republican senator or a Democratic senator who would refuse to do his duty in such an event. As for the responsibility of the President, certainly no one but he could be responsible for his official acts, whether he had the unanimous endorsement of the senate or not, nor is the President a man to shirk or shift a responsibility.

President McKinley's courage has been fully tested, his conscientious regard for personal duty is one of his chief characteristics, his honesty of purpose, his integrity, his wisdom and discretion have already won for him the esteem of the country, and no one but the meanest partisan would attempt to detract from him the credit for possessing these merits which have given him so strong a hold on the confidence of the people.

Whether senators are opposed to an extra session now or not, there is plenty of time for them to think differently, should an emergency arise that would make an extra session advisable. The public would be as quick to appreciate such a necessity as it would be to rebuke any attempt to tie the President's hands in the great work before him and thereby to embarrass, if not actually disgrace, the country in the eyes of the world. Every senator would fully realize this and the wisdom of settling all these great questions one way or the other at the earliest possible moment, rather than risk the indignation of a whole Nation by prolonging the uncertainty of the public mind, which would react against those responsible for the delay.

While the President alone would be responsible for his own official acts, those who, for the purpose of obstructing him in his work, evade their own responsibilities under the constitution and the laws, will be called to account by the Nation at the very first opportunity—not on account of their personal views, to which they have a right, but for their endeavor to shift their sacred obligations as senators in a great national emergency and to retard the settlement of questions directly affecting our position before the world and our domestic welfare, which should be promptly dealt with.

## Cases of Getzenanner and Pierson.

A great deal is being said concerning the eligibility of State Senators Getzenanner and Pierson, of the Thirteenth and Ninth districts, respectively, to retain their seats in the senate because they hold commissions in the volunteer service, having been appointed by the governor. The point made by the Democratic managers is that, having accepted these appointments, the two Republican senators forfeited their offices, under the constitutional article which provides that "no person holding a lucrative office under this state, the United States or any foreign government, shall be eligible to a seat in the legislature." (Section 13, article 6.)

Our Democratic friends are very wrothy over the contention of the Republicans, first, that the two senators named are not affected by this provision, since they do not come within its meaning, having enlisted in the state volunteer service to fight for the country in a time of great emergency, and cannot be regarded as office-holders in the sense meant by the constitution; second, that no vacancy was ever declared in the manner prescribed by law, and that the two Democrats alleged to be elected in their stead, were not legally elected on this account, and for the further reason that no law gives a party campaign committee the authority to declare a vacancy in office and to order an election.

The Democrats charge all sorts of bad things about the Republicans for insisting on these things, and one might be led to believe that the Democratic party had never, nor never would commit such an "outrage" as to permit a Democratic state senator or member of the house of delegates to hold a seat while holding, at the same time, a federal or state office; or that they would make the same point against unswerving them now urged by the Republicans. Those who are deceived by the Democratic minority attitude in this matter should not be affected by such pretensions. If there is any record more vulnerable on a matter of this sort than the West Virginia Democratic record we know nothing of it. While our friends of the other side are indulging in denouncing the Republican position as un-

lawful, they should not forget that with in the recent past they furnished at least two precedents in which Democratic state senators were permitted to hold their places until the end of their terms while holding, in one case, a federal office, and in the other a state office, in "violation of the constitutional provision" above quoted.

It may be recalled that in a legislature not long ago Colonel Ben Oxley held on to his state senatorship while he also filled a position as clerk in the state auditor's office at Charleston. A little later, in the legislature of 1895, Senator J. B. Finley, of the Twelfth district, also a Democrat, served out his senatorship while holding at the same time a federal office in the internal revenue service, where he still is, protected by the civil service law under the present administration.

It is exceedingly unwise and indiscreet for our Democratic friends to characterize Republicans in bitter terms for contending against an illegal election, in view of these two instances. In connection with the incidents referred to, it may be well to state that when the attention of Democratic leaders were called to the fact that these Democrats were holding their senatorships while they were filling offices under the federal and state governments, the reply invariably was that they were "appointive" offices and the constitutional provision did not apply to them. Also, that although the Republicans had a big majority in the legislature in 1895, they did not unseat Mr. Finley, although, according to Democratic logic at present, they had a right to do so. Had it been done, of course, the Democratic organs would have raised the usual howl about a Republican "steal."

The argument used that the federal office held by Mr. Finley was an "appointive" office and was not affected by the law, will apply with equal force to the cases of Getzenanner and Pierson, for their positions in the volunteer service are likewise "appointive." How are the Democrats going to reconcile their present claims to those they made then?

## Misrepresenting Hawaii.

A Democratic organ published not many miles away from the corner of Alley 9 and Market street, Wheeling, reiterates a long since exploded argument when it publishes the following:

Many persons oppose giving Hawaii the proposed territorial form of government, lest the islands eventually acquire statehood. These, however, are likely to be voted down easily and then we will have hanging over our future the fear that one day a partisan administration may admit the islands as a state, in which event the vote of these distant, half savage possessions out in the middle of the Pacific may be in a position to influence the result of a presidential election. Such a rotten borough would be a menace to popular government. Yet the people of Hawaii are enlightened and refined compared to those of the Philippines.

A previous comment of this organ on the same subject assumed that, as a territory, the Hawaiian islands would have a representative in Congress whose vote might hold the "balance of power, and that its presidential electors might decide a presidential election." The Intelligence took pleasure in reminding its friend that territories had no such voice in the government affairs. Now the statement is qualified with an admission that Hawaii can only have such an influence when it is admitted as a state.

Another qualification may be necessary when the aforesaid friend reads the provisions for a government of Hawaii framed by the commission appointed for that purpose.

Hawaii can never be a state of this Union until the provisions of the constitution and the laws are complied with, for it will not otherwise be eligible. The conditions complained of by our neighbor, though it exaggerates them, will not then exist.

There are and have been other territories in this Union which have had to undergo just what Hawaii must experience before they could become states. All were peopled principally with savages, either in a savage or semi-savage state. Now all but two of them are great and prosperous and enlightened states, having passed through the stages required.

The plan proposed for the territorial government of Hawaii is even more stringent in its provisions than that purchased in the cases of other territories within the limits of the United States proper, although Hawaii has a greater percentage of enlightened people at its birth than they had. To vote for the members of the territorial house of delegates citizens are required to have certain educational qualifications and to have paid their taxes, and for members of the territorial senate even more strict laws are provided looking to the intelligence and general qualifications of voters. The executive officers, from the governor down, are appointed by the President just as they are in all our territories.

Considering all these conditions, our neighbor is unnecessarily alarmed over the prospects of poor little Hawaii proving a burden to this great and grand and glorious republic which has taken her under its wing. It is a poor cause that sets up bugaboos so easily knocked out.

Democratic mayors were elected in several Massachusetts towns on Tuesday. At Haverhill the successful Democrat is a Socialist. The Old Bay State isn't departing from her principles in these local elections. She is simply suffering from a temporary attack of indigestion. Two years hence her usual enormous majority for the cause of Republicanism will give splendid evidence of a complete recovery of vigorous health, and her proverbial appetite for Republican victory.

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the Philippines, they declare that this fact will not cause them to repudiate the treaty, which action would accomplish nothing but the creation of embarrassment to the country, and perhaps reopen the war. They accept President McKinley's suggestion that the time to discuss and settle the question of government for the new acquisitions will be after the ratification of the treaty. If the present senate develops opposition enough to prevent ratification, the senate, as it will be constituted after the 4th of March, will not be.

A genuine old-fashioned snow paid us a passing visit yesterday, and it was so different from the drizzles mixed with rain and pneumonia we have been having that it was heartily welcomed.

## STATE PRESS CLEANING

Glade has some of the curious things that we read of. Your correspondent a few days ago saw a lamb on the farm of Mr. E. P. Phillips that had five legs and six feet. Four legs are natural, the fifth about six inches back from the fore legs on the right, swings clear of the ground and has two sets of hoofs.—Philippi Republican.

The story of a wonderful freak of nature in the pumpkin line comes from Washington Bottom. A few days ago Mrs. A. T. McMurray took a notion to manufacture a few pumpkin pies for the benefit of the pie lovers in her family, and, taking a large yellow boy from among the golden heap in the barn, cut it in twain and lifted the top off, only to find, that though the pumpkin had been perfectly sound, every seed had taken root in the bottom of the shell and sprouted, sending forth little shoots three or four inches in length, each one having a few fresh green leaves attached.—Webster Echo.

G. W. Cook, of Headsville, stated that James Carskadon, of the same place, told him he kept account of all the stuff sold from his farm in the last six years, and the last two years' sales exceeded the four years' previous by \$160. What farmers will dispute the fact and say the times are not better.—Romney Times.

The Democratic newspaper that lashes itself into hysterics over Judge Johnson's personal popularity, only causes the Republican editors of this district who know anything about the campaign to wink the other eye.—McDowell Recorder.

Republican legislative candidates asked for recounts in four counties and districts where the vote was very close and Democratic candidates have done the same in a like number of districts. The Republican recounts were made in nearly every instance by Republican canvassing boards and the Democratic recounts were made by Democratic boards. Results? No Democrat has been counted out, but three Republicans lose their seats. Who is trying to steal the legislature?—Preston County Journal.

Charleston papers are calling upon their people to quit grumbling and go to work to increase the business of that city. That is good advice, but it should have been given a few weeks before the election, when one of its most prominent citizens went over the Fourth Congressional district telling that Charleston is poverty stricken, the storehouse vacant, its property worthless, and its fine buildings given up to the bats and owls.—Huntington Herald.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The widow's weeds sometimes give way to the rake.

Cupid can see the silver lining of the darkest cloud.

It isn't always the most promising man who pays his debts.

Some people have no time to think because they talk so much.

The moral of a dog's tail is that it invariably points to the past.

Lots of married men who have no knowledge of music play second fiddle.

The forger evidently believes that imitation is the sincerest flattery.

There is probably nothing more unlike a battle than the picture of one.

When soldiers meet in a spirited attack in a cafe re-treat is the usual order.

It's better for a man to do a little kicking than to deteriorate into a human football.

Be honest if you can—otherwise your patrons will purchase their canned goods elsewhere.

Some men put the smallest apples at the top of the barrel—also the notice, "Open the other end."

You can always tell false teeth from the real thing, because they are nearer perfection than natural ones.

The man whose only thought is to contribute to the happiness of others is as near sanctification as it is possible to get.—Chicago Daily News.

## The Evening Trains.

The first train leaves at 6 p. m.  
For the land where the sleep flower blows:  
The mother dear is the engineer.  
And the passenger laughs and crows.

The palace car is the mother's arm;  
The whistle a low, sweet strain  
The passenger winks and nods and blinks.  
And goes to sleep on the train.

At 8 p. m. the next train starts  
For the pleasant land afar:  
The summons clear falls on the ear,  
"All aboard for the sleeping car!"

But what is the fare to this pleasant land?  
I hope it is not too dear:  
The fare is this—a loving kiss—  
And it is paid to the engineer.

So I ask of Him who the children took  
On His knee in His kindness great,  
Take charge, I pray, of the trains each day.  
That leave at 6 and 8.

"Keep watch o'er the passengers," thus I pray,  
For they are very dear:  
And haply speed the O, Gracious Lord,  
O'er the gentle engineer."—Exchange.

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## PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

"Duncmore was enlisted as an (immature)." "He ought to have made a good one—he can't even take a joke." Truth.

Amateur hunter (after missing a rabbit)—"Well, you brute, if you prefer it that way, I can get you just as well at the butcher's."—Flingende Blatter.

No Escape.—"We are worried about Julia; she got out of a sick bed to go to the matinee." "How could she?" "She had to go; she had a ticket."—Chicago Record.

She—"Don't you think a football player should make a good golf player?" He—"The only trouble I see is that the ball might get lost in his hair."—Yonker's Statesman.

"Talking about the play of 'Hamlet' with Hamlet left out, soliloquized the melancholy looking individual, 'there are times when the omission would be a decided boon.' He had just attended an amateur performance."—Puck.

"So you want to be my son-in-law, do you?" asked the old man, with as much fierceness as he could assume. "Well," said the young man, "I don't want to, but I suppose I'd have to be if I marry your daughter."—Tit-Bits.

In Ancient Greece.—The Disciple—"And you teach that we should bear pain and troubles without complaint? I don't think I could do that." The Stoic Philosopher.—"Nobody expects you to do it. That is merely our platform."—Puck.

Deserving Case.—Weary Watkins—"I ain't had nothin' to eat for two days." Victim—"You told me that very same story just a week ago." "Oh! Then surely you would help a pore bloke 'at ain't had nothin' to eat for nine days?"—Indianapolis Journal.

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Of my bars, and their heaven of stars overhead,  
By the symbol conjoined of them all, skyward cast,  
As I float from the steeple or flap at the  
Or drop o'er the sod where the long grasses nod—  
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